Andover. 14 Dec. 1829.

My dear Sir,

I know not where to begin or end. The state of our affairs, & the urgent business of the commencement of the term, are my real, & my only, apology for not writing sooner. The sequel will tell you what this means.

I do not now remember exactly where my other letter *left off*; so if I repeat some things in this, you will not think it strange. Dr Wisner was elected Prof. in June; & at the Anniversary gave in his "declinature." The Rev. Ralph Emerson of Norfolk, (Conn.) was then elected. Three weeks since, or a little more, the Council met, & refused to dismiss him. So then all was up: but last week another one met, & he was liberated. He is now in our neighborhood (at Boston), & is to be inaugurated the next week, Prof. of Ecc. Hist., & "Past. Theology;" although this last title is left off.

I embrace, therefore, the first opportunity possible, to communicate the result of all these movements to you. Mr E. is a noble fellow; I have no objection to the man. But then, he is to be here 10 years, before he can get a going in his work. I deeply regret this.

Dr Porter is so unwell that he is gone *South* this winter. The Rev. Mr Hoadley, (late of Worcester, but dismissed on account of feeble health), is here as a substitute, & going on with the criticisms & recitations of the Senior class; I believe *well*. Mr Stowe is my Assistant this year; Jun. class 46; last year 60. We have more than we expected; I had almost said, than we wish, until we get more help.

Your books too have just come. You surely did underestimate *Hengstenberg*. His *Christologie* is, on the whole, a noble work, & cannot fail to do good. I have not had time yet to examine the other books; except that I have looked at my new friend Dr Bleek, & at my *old* friend, Dr Schulz. In what I have read of Bleek, there is *nichts Neues*—; ganz und gar nicht. All is perfectly familiar to me; & all (& more) is exhibited in my work. But I have read only his two first Categories, a small part of the whole. — Of my work a new edition is now called for, the first being exhausted; & Bleek has come in good time for a little addition. I regret not to have the "Commentar," along with the rest.

As to *Theile* it is downright unintelligible Nonsense, just like Fritsche (it shd. be, *Fret*-she.) I am very sorry that such a race of absolute *unintelligibles* is rising up, who threaten us with a Comm. on the whole N. Testament.

Winer's last Gram. Supp. I have had these some weeks. It is the fruit of great labour. He grows better. How upon earth he could form such a *Theile – Fritsche* school at Leipzig, is wonderful to me. He is no mystic, i.e. no *unintelligible*, himself. It is Hermann, I think, that has done all this mischief; a man whom the Germans appear to admire, because he writes in a manner beyond the reach of being understood.

Mr Farrar is *bent* on having you here. I need not add, that I am most heartily with him. But *how*, is now the great question to be solved. He has requested a meeting of the Faculty with him, to devise "ways & means." Mr Cornelius has left here, & gone to *Boston*, where his Secretary-business forced him to go, greatly to our regret. Mr Farrar says that he shall reserve his house for *you*. I hope this may be the case; & Deo volente, to see you & your dear Wife in it, before our next anniversary. I do not despair of this. There is such a strong persuasion here, that you *must not escape* our hands, that I do hope & trust something will come out of it. I have no doubt, that the scruples of the Trustees, about electing any one except a *Pastor*, will be got over in case a man is to be *Professor Extraordinarius*; an office, which if I had the requisite means of support, I should court much rather than that of an *Ordinarius*.

In the mean time, another edit. of your Lex. will be wanted, before it can be printed. A Sacred Geography — O I cannot tell how much I want to see one. I shall make it a *classic* here, the moment we get 1 right book. You must not forget the *Maps*. All is nonsense without; & I never have been more vexed, than at Ritter & Rosenmueller for their omission here.

In regard to *types*, Mr F. tells me that he has written you. We have a fount of *small* Greek type, but although of Leipzig origin, it is a poor business, & I do not wish to keep it. A *fount* of Arabic we c'd. hardly employ; but some *small* Arabic is indispensable, some 15 or 20 lbs.; & so also of small *Syriac*. The size of our Syriac you will know at once, at least your type founders will, by looking in your Greek Lex. where doubtless you have sometimes employed it; if not, see the Alphabet in my Heb. Grammar, which Tholuck has, or Gesenius.

Lampe, Vitringa, Germar, Ast, Ernesti & Schutz on Hebrews, etc. etc. we have. There are already a very considerable number of *duplicates* & *triplicate* of some books; but as they cost you in general so little, I say nothing of them. Ast's Apparatus to Plato we have not; having only the text. Is the Apparatus published? We want it. – Is Tafel's (T. L. F.) Dilucidd. ~~[illegible]~~ Pindaricae worth any thing? If it is really so, get it; for no notes on Pindar, yet published, are readable, with any degree of patience or profit. "Captat lectionem", describes the whole. – You must not forget *Fraehn on Nahum, & the Assyr. Apparatus. I am preparing a second Vol. of Heb. Chrestomathy, & Nahum I design for the closing part. – You do not say what progress Gesenius is making in his Lat. Lexicon; nor when it will be out. I hope that he will not die in the midst of business, & leave it half finished.

The spoils of Rome, I trust Tholuck has brought with him. How & when to be developed? – But I must not ask a question, but name books. Alt, Gram. Graec.? — Bernhardy, wissens. Syntax der Gr. Sprache? — Biblioth. Gr. Jacobs etc.? — Bröckner Commentt. de epis. Tim. — Clausen, Tab. Synopt. Evang.? — Bodett Apocryphum, (Philo) — Böckel, Denksprüche Salomos? — Fähse, Lex. in Tragicos Graec.? — Gramberg. Krit. Geschichte der Rel. d. A. Test., etc.? — *Hahn, all his works, specially Syriac ones — Hamaker, Miscellan. Phenicia? — Von Hammer, Geschich. des Osman. Reiches; — *Kleinert, üb. die Aechtheit des Isaias etc. — Schul Atlas der alt. Welt. — Passow, Grundzüge der Gr. & Röm. Lit. — Rask, d. alt. Egypt. Zeitrechnung — Scholz- Nov. Testamentum — De Wette Opusc. Minora. — *All of Neander, not sent. — *Stark Geschich. Arianismus — Stark, Carmina Davidis – Also Catena Pat. Graec. — Matthiae's Catenae, etc. Tholuck & Gesenius can surely suggest many other valuable additions; & I could easily make them, but I have not time now; & it is easy to get them from the recent Bibliothecas. The Biblioth. of Winer, we have not; nor some other of his late works.

I know not the liberty which Mr Farrar has given you to purchase; but if you are not cooped up, do let us have some more fundamental editions of classics, above all those with Indexes; which you know are worth every thing. On this ground, Lexicons of particular authors are highly valuable. You will want such things in a new edit. of your Lexicon. — By the way, can you not get a copy of Plank Lex. – in order to consult? It wd. be worth much more than the expense of transcribing, if formed on the plan of the specimens published. You must stand on your own legs now, not on those of Wahl. I am sure that you can mend him very much, with an adequate Apparatus, which you will not fail to secure.

But I must stop, as I am called away. More soon, if I live & prosper. The result of our Confab. I shall let you know.

Affect'ly Yours. M. Stuart.

P. S. The books with (?) are left of course to be wholly judged of by you, as I have no knowledge of them. Those with the (*) are to be got by all means. M.S.

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